

July 8, 2009
On-site Visit at Third East and B Street Intersection

Meeting began at 10:00 a.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Wendell Roundy, Dennis Bertucci, Councilmembers; Judi Davis, Clerk; Sam Stout, Jack Pollock

The purpose of the meeting is to inspect the section of Third East that Sam Stout has requested be realigned.

The travel surface would be 14-16 feet wide. At the place where the realigned Third East would intersect with B Street, it would be two feet higher than it is now and would be gradually tapered to the east toward the Hawses. No utilities will be moved. The willows between the current curve and the proposed intersection will be taken out, and "Yield" signs would be appropriately placed.

Sam stated that the purpose of the realignment is to slow people down, as there have been many near misses on the current corner. Wendell suggested that, to improve visibility, we could take out the willows on the west side of the current road. Sam feels that a right angle turn will also cause people to slow down. Dennis commented that it is hard to see horses on the road because of the willows and suggested the willows be cut.

Sam has paid for the engineering. Wendell doesn't see any reason to move the road. Sam would donate the work and fill for the realignment, and the town would be responsible to chip seal it. The Irrigation Company would put one culvert in, and Sam would do the other. Sam would replace the gravel that would be displaced because of the fill which would be added to the road from the new intersection east toward the Hawses.

Wendell suggested that we add a ten-foot culvert at the curve and make the right angle road higher (closer to the current curve) than the proposed intersection. Sam stated that he's paying for the change and he doesn't want it higher, and pointed out that the fire hydrant and telephone pole would be in the way.

Sam will have Jack Lyman shoot the grades. If we go ahead with the project, Sam will pay for the engineering. If we don't approve the project, but require that he have the engineering done before we consider it further, we will pay for that, but not for the survey. There was a unanimous vote in favor of the proposal put forth in the previous sentence.

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Randy Ripplinger came at this point and was updated on the proposal. He also voted in favor of the payment proposal in the last paragraph. We will consider the change, inviting public input, at a regular meeting after the engineering is done.

Sam will deed to the town his portion of the land under the realigned road.

The walking tour adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk

Approved by Bill Muse, Mayor